(d) As on 19-4-1989, there were 67 vacancies of Judges in the High Courts, as shown below:

Sl. No.	Name of the High Court	No. of vacancies
1.	Allahabad	12
2.	Andhra Pradesh	6
3.	Bombay	6
4.	Calcutta	2
5.	Delhi .	5
6.	Gauhati	1
7.	Gujarat	6
8.	Himachal Pradesh .	2
9.	Karnataka	5
10.	Kerala	1
11.	Madhya Pradesh	5
12.	Madras	4
13.	Patna	6
14.	Punjab & Haryana	2
15.	Rajasthan	2
16.	Sikkim	2
	TOTAL	67

(e) Posts of Chief Justices are vacant in three High Courts the first since 19-1-1988, the second since 14-3-1988 and the third since 5-1-1989. The matter of appointment of permanent Chief Justices in these High Courts is engaging the attention of the Government.

Action on Jaswant Singh Commission Report

457. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: SHRI T. R. BALU;

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state how many States have taken action on Jaswant Singh Commission Report so far alongwith the names of State Governments and the action taken by them?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): The Government of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu have indicated that they are considering the recommendations of the Jaswant Singh Commission in respect of the concerned High Courts.

Bench of Madras High Court at Madurai

458. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3529 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 30th March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Madras High Cour bench at Madurai is not being constituted because of shortage of judges;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken in this regard; and

(c) by when the vacancy of Chief Justice will be filled?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Government have taken steps to fill up the vanacy of Chief Justice in the Madras High Court It is, however not possible to indicate when the vacancy wil be filled up.

Joint Ventures with the Soviet Union

459. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ten India-oriented proposals for commercial deals, transfer of technology, co-production and joint venture have been identified by the Soviet Union;